

Fatalgrams and Fatal Reports

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Fatality #29 - October 25, 2007
Fall of Person - California - Cement
Riverside Cement Company - Oro Grande Quarry

METAL/NONMETAL MINE FATALITY - On October 25, 2007, a 19 year-old contractor ironworker with 20 weeks of experience was fatally injured at a cement operation. The victim was standing on 2 x 10 x 72 inch planks that were nailed to cross members and placed across a 48-inch diameter hole where a duct was to be installed. Several of the planks dislodged and he fell approximately 75 feet.



Best Practices

- Ensure that floor openings are protected by railings, barriers, or covers that are properly constructed, installed securely, and maintained to control all hazards.
- Ensure that areas are barricaded or have warning signs posted at all approaches if hazards exist that are not immediately obvious.
- Examine your work places for all possible hazards and correct them before you perform work.
- Remember and use SLAM: Stop, Look, Analyze, and Manage.

This is the 29th fatality reported in calendar year 2007 in the metal and nonmetal mining industries. As of this date in 2006, there were 30 fatalities reported in these industries. This is the 4th Fall of Person fatality in 2007. There were 3 Fall of Person fatalities in the same period in 2006.

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